

Sanitary pad vending machines installed in Goalpara College

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GOALPARA, Oct 22: Giving proper attention to safe and hygienic sanitary practices among girl students, three more sanitary pad vending machines along with incinerators were installed in Goalpara College recently.

These machines were placed in the girls' toilet block, one in the girls' common room and the third in the old girls' hostel – in addition to the one installed earlier in the new girls' hostel.

The idea behind such installations is to ensure that

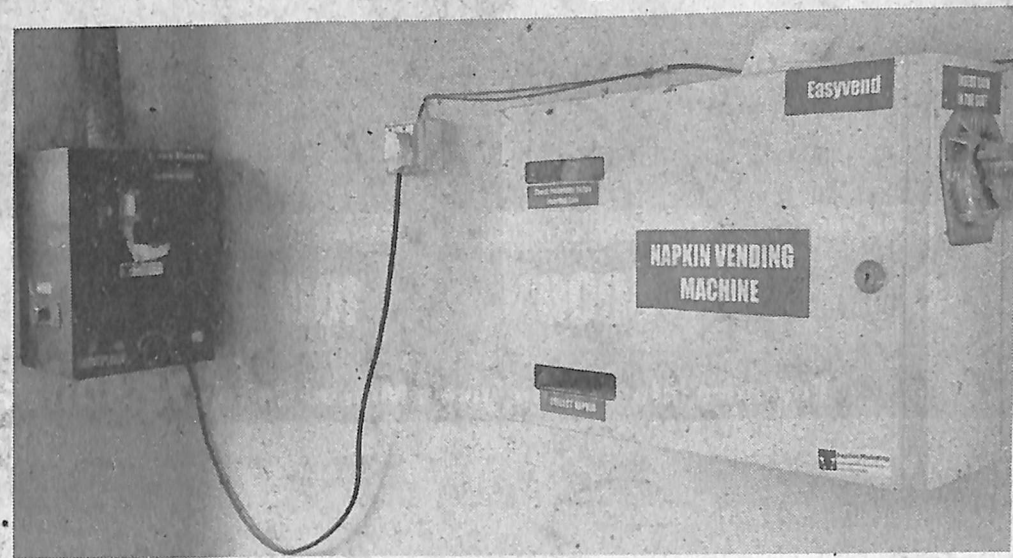
sanitary napkins are readily accessible to the girl students in the college campus in relevant privacy in the girls' exclusive corridors and also at a short notice. The machines dispense sanitary napkins upon inserting a Rs 5 coin.

Talking to this correspondent, Goalpara College principal Dr Subhas Barman said that the idea behind such installations is to ensure that sanitary napkins are easily accessible to the girl students in the college campus, with the objective to promote safety and equal opportunities for female learners and

develop a healthy gender identity in the college campus.

Barman said that such an initiative will empower the girl students, and challenge the negative stereotyping and gender inequality in the institution. He informed that these machines have been installed at a cost of Rs 25,000 each.

The girl students have welcomed and appreciated the initiative taken by the college authorities for providing them with proper sanitation and disposable facilities in the college campus.



One of the vending machines installed in Goalpara College. – Photo: Correspondent